

Funded Early Education Entitlement 2026/27 Foundation Year (No VAT)

Eligibility Guidelines	
Born on or between:	Funding eligible from:
1 April – 31 August	Beginning of Autumn term following 3 rd birthday
1 September – 31 December	Beginning of Spring term following 3 rd birthday
1 January – 31 March	Beginning of Summer term following 3 rd birthday

Dates of birth for eligibility	
Term	3 year olds
Autumn 2026	1/09/22 -31/08/23
Spring 2027	1/01/23 -31/12/23
Summer 2027	1/04/23 -31/03/24

15 Hour Funding (taken over a minimum of 3 days)

Funding per term applied to your account For 15 hours funding per week	
Term	Funding
Autumn 2026	£1,101.75
Spring 2027	£932.25
Summer 2027	£932.25

30 Hour Funding (please check eligibility)

Funding per term applied to your account For 30 hours funding per week	
Term	Funding
Autumn 2026	£2,203.50
Spring 2027	£1,864.50
Summer 2027	£1,864.50

Parents will not need to apply through the digital childcare service if they only want to claim the universal 15 hour entitlement.

For further information, please contact Farzana Mulla, Finance Officer 0116 2705338/2746017